

MAR 29 2004

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box →



OFFICIAL

Approved for use through 10/31/2007 OMI 0051-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMI control number.

TRANSMITTAL  
FORM

(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)

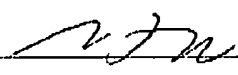
Total Number of Pages In This Submission 10

Application Number	10/010,960
Filing Date	November 9, 2001
First Named Inventor	STEVENS, WAIFER J.
Class/Art Unit	3731
Examiner Name	Baxter, Jessica R.
Attorney Docket Number	STAN-132CIP

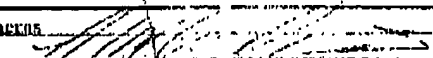
## ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment / Reply <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> After Final <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request <input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Documents <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53	<input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (for a new application) <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing related Papers <input type="checkbox"/> Petition <input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Correspondence Address <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Re-examination <input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) <<TEXT>>	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Group <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) <input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information <input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter <input type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):
Remarks		

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

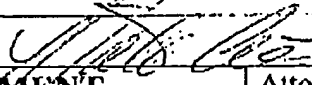
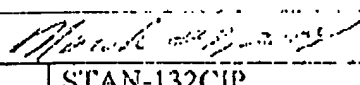
Firm or Individual Name	SUSAN TALL, Reg. No. 52.272
Signature	
Date	March 29, 2004

## CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile filed under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.6(d) and 1.8(a)(1)(b) published in: (793) 872-9306 on this date: March 29, 2004	
Typed or printed name	Martha Cisneros
Signature	
Date	March 29, 2004

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take .2 hours to complete. Times will vary depending upon the needs of the applicant. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile filed under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.6(d) and 1.8(c)(1)(ii) addressed to: P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450 on this date: _____ Facsimile No.: (703) 872-9306			
Typed or Printed Name	Martha Cisneros		
Signature		Date	
<b>AMENDMENT Under CFR 1.116</b>  Address to: Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450		Attorney Docket No.	STAN-132CIP
		Confirmation No.	5625
		First Named Inventor	STEVENS, WALTER J.
		Application Number	10/010,960
		Filing Date	November 9, 2001
		Group Art Unit	3731
		Examiner Name	BAXTER, JESSICA R.
		Title: "ANASTOMOSIS SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR USE"	

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action dated December 29, 2003, for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before March 29, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

**RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER**

MAR 29 2004

OFFICIAL